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In re Application of
Brian Weston, et al.
Application No. 09/476,935
Filed: December 30, 1999
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
IMPLEMENTING FOREIGN CURRENCY
EXCHANGE FORWARDS

DECISION ON PETITION
TO WITHDRAW THE
HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

This is a decision on the applicant's petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), on April 17, 2002.
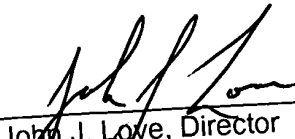
The petition is **GRANTED**.

A review of the file record indicates that the application was held abandoned for failure to timely respond to an Office action mailed on May 24, 2001.

Applicant's petition submits a statement that the applicant did not receive the Office action. It also attests to the fact that a search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Office action was not received. In response to a faxed courtesy copy of the Office action the applicant also points out that the address that the Office action was mailed to was not the correct address of record and is an address unknown to the applicant.

A review of the file indicates that the Office action of May 24, 2001 was indeed mailed to the wrong address and was undoubtedly the reason for non-receipt by the applicant. Therefore, the holding of abandonment is withdrawn and the application is restored to pending status.

The application is being forwarded to the Supervisory Legal Instruments Examiner with instructions to withdraw the holding of abandonment, and redate and remail the Office action to the correct mailing address of record.

Telephone inquiries relative to this decision should be directed to Special Programs Examiner Steven Meyers at (703) 308-3868.

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